

SENATE BILL 9041

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 9, Chapter 1 and Title 9, Chapter 4, Part 51,
relative to entities that receive state grant funds
that implement COVID-19 restrictions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 4, Part 51, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

(a) State funds shall not be appropriated or disbursed to nor expended by a
public or private entity that implements a COVID-19 vaccination or mask-wearing
requirement as a condition of entry onto the entity's premises or into a facility, or a
portion thereof, on the premises.

(b) Upon a determination by the department of finance and administration that a
public or private entity that is otherwise eligible to receive state funds has implemented a
COVID-19 vaccination or mask-wearing requirement as a condition of entry, the
department shall:

(1) Notify the public or private entity that the entity is not eligible to
receive state funds while the requirement is in effect and that state funds
previously disbursed for the current fiscal year are subject to recoupment;

(2) Not disburse state funds to the public or private entity while the
entity's requirement is in effect; and

(3) Recoup state funds previously disbursed by the department or
appropriated by the state for the current fiscal year for any period the public or
private entity's requirement is in effect after the effective date of this act. The

amount of state funds to be recouped by the department must be prorated for the period of time the public or private entity's requirement is in effect if the period of time is less than an entire fiscal year.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.